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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY: ISFAHAN AND SHIRAZ
DEMONSTRATIONS

1. PLEASE PROVIDE A REPORT IN RESPONSE TO THE FOLLOWING
LETTER (8/22) RECEIVED FROM CONGRESSMAN FRASER.
2. QUOTE: I HAVE RECENTLY RECEIVED A REPORT CONCERNING
GOVERNMENT ACTION DURING A DEMONSTRATION IN THE IRANIAN
CITY OF ISFAHAN ON AUGUST 13.

I UNDERSTAND THAT FOUR PERSONS WERE KILLED AND ANOTHER
60 INJURED, AND THAT MARTIAL LAW AND AN EIGHT-HOUR CURFEW
HAVE BEEN IMPOSED ON THE CITY FOR ONE MONTH. IT IS
REPORTED THAT ON AUGUST 12 IN THE CITY OF SHIRAZ THE
POLICE ATTACKED A PEACEFUL ASSEMBLY LEAVING THREE PERSONS
DEAD AND HUNDREDS WOUNDED AND ARRESTED, AND THAT ABOUT
400 PERSONS WERE TAKEN TO HOSPITALS IN SHIRAZ IN CRITICAL
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CONDITION AND WERE REFUSED TREATMENT. FURTHERMORE, THE
GOVERNMENT HAS TURNED AWAY EVERY POSSIBLE BLOOD DONOR FOR
THOSE REQUIRING TRANSFUSIONS.

I WOULD APPRECIATE IF YOU COULD ASK OUR EMBASSY IN TEHRAN
FOR A REPORT ON THESE OCCURRENCES. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO
KNOW WHAT ACTIONS THE IRANIAN GOVERNMENT AND THE IRANIAN

RED CROSS HAVE TAKEN TO HELP THESE PEOPLE REQUIRING
MEDICAL TREATMENT. END QUOTE.
CHRISTOPHER

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